

6144. Adulteration of catsup. U. S. * * * v. The Harbauer Co., a corporation. Plea of nolo contendere. Fine, \$75 and costs. (F. & D. No. 7668. I. S. No. 11286-1.)

On February 15, 1917, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Ohio, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against The Harbauer Co., a corporation, Toledo, Ohio, alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about January 20, 1916, from the State of Ohio into the State of Michigan, of a quantity of an article labeled in part, "Compound Catsup," which was adulterated.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed it to be a partially decomposed vegetable product.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it consisted in part of a filthy, putrid, and decomposed vegetable substance.

On January 21, 1918, the defendant company entered a plea of nolo contendere to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$75 and costs.

R. A. PEARSON, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*